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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 1st, 1912

A few days ago we commented on the conference of the Anglican Communion in China, which was held at Shanghai last week, and on the possibility of the attempt to establish a National Church for China stimulating Confucianism to organised effort with a view to asserting its claims upon the national consideration, and, as newspapers to hand from the north contain a report of the concluding deliberations of the Conference as well as an interview with Count HERMAN KEY SERLING, a student of philosophy from the Balkan provinces of Russia, the coincidence is too remarkable to pass without comment, especially as the Count supplies indirectly an answer to the Conference. In our previous article we deprecated the attitude of certain Western people, mostly missionaries, who declined to recognise that there was a moral and spiritual force behind the Revolution which has been accomplished in China, and we pointed out that the leaders of the Revolution were animated with the lofty ideas and high moral truths which were common to Christianity and to Confucianism. The fact that the Revolution has so far been successful, that it has pursued its high ideals unwaveringly, that its leaders have endeavoured to introduce a purity of administration hitherto unknown in China, and that corruption and "squeeze" have been suppressed to a considerable extent, points

to the possibility of a regenerated China which is not necessarily a Christian China. It must not be inferred that in accepting this conclusion we are ignoring the effects which the Western Church has undoubtedly exercised upon the national life of the Chinese. To do so would be unwise and unjust. But in considering the forces which have been at work in China, material and moral and spiritual, the effect of the unaggressive but persistent and permeative teachings of Confucianism with their lofty morality and altruism, must not be overlooked. No impartial student of Chinese life and character is likely to minimise the importance and the value of the teachings of the Great Sage even to-day, but the fact that its followers do not pursue the aggressive advertising methods of the missionaries from the West is apt to lead many foreigners to believe that Confucianism is a spiritless formula which has no vitalising influence on the people, and that therefore the virile teachings of Christianity are necessary to the uplifting of the people. But it seems to us that China needs to follow the historical progression of the West still further: in other words, China needs a reformation in the same way that the Christian Church of Europe had to be revived through the instrumentality of Luther, Knox, and others. The followers of Confucius have to realise that the teachings of the Great Master have become bedimmed in the passing centuries, and a new vision is requisite to give them that clarity which is essential to securing their greater recognition in China. We do not mean that Confucianism should regard Christianity as a rival. That would mean retrogression. The Chinese have a reputation for religious tolerance which Western people may well envy, and to suggest anything which would even seem a departure from this virtue carries its own condemnation. As a matter of fact, we should not be surprised if the Chinese spirit of tolerance did not suggest co-operation between Confucianism and Christianity, and our knowledge of the present-day disciples of the lowly Nazarene leads us to anticipate that such an offer would be repudiated. The Christian Church has yet to learn the exercise of religious toleration. Our point is that no Anglican nor Episcopal Communion, no matter what name is chosen, can rightly claim to be a National Church of China. The claim, though not asserted by Confucianism, belongs more rightly to that body, and we are inclined to agree in most part with Count HERMAN KEY SERLING when he declares "Confucianism is the only basis upon which Chinese can base their new life." Confucianism has been bred in the race for centuries. The people follow it, not only as a matter of form, but in spirit. "Without the spirit no mere form can endure for long. There is danger that Confucianism may be discarded in the mad rush to adopt Western ways, and there is nothing suited to the Chinese nature to take its place. Buddhism has no hold on the Chinese, and I do not think that the spirit of Christianity will ever penetrate to a great extent." We know from experience that this is so. The various Christian churches have undoubtedly a fair proportion of converts, but we know, and Chinese themselves have declared it, that "once a Chinaman always a Chinaman." In many instances the convert only grafts Christianity on to his accepted beliefs. For instance, leading Chinese Christians do not follow the teachings of the Church with regard to marriage. They still believe in having concubines. We are not condemning them for this attitude, but we quote it as an illustration of what is meant by "once a Chinaman, always a Chinaman." For that and other reasons we incline to the belief that there is nothing suited to the Chinese nature to take the place of Confucianism, and that though a Christian Church may be called a National Church the only title to such a claim is held by the system which bears the name of the great Sage of China.

His Excellency Chan Pat Tze and suite left by the Austrian Lloyd S.S. China for Penang.

Mr. Frank Graham, manager of the Hongkong Electric Co., left by the s.s. Manchuria yesterday for Home, via San Francisco and Canada, on leave.

Among the Bills which are down for first reading at the Legislative Council to-morrow is one to "Establish Limited Partnerships," and another "to control the exhibition of advertisements."

The Ningchow, from Shanghai, reports having passed at 8.17 p.m. at Tong Me Point, bearing N. 32 degrees W. (Mag.), 14 miles distant, a water-logged junk. Her stern frame was showing above water and her bow was awash.

Last week there were 129 cases of plague in Hongkong. Since the beginning of the year, 370 cases of plague have been notified. Of these 330 were fatal cases. All but four of the cases were Chinese. There have been no European cases.

Mr. T. Motaboy informs us that a local subscription list in aid of the Red Crescent Society, London, was opened, and that the total donations received have amounted to \$847.47. A draft for £84 14s. 11d. has been forwarded to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. S. M. Anik, London.

Yesterday Sir Francis Pigott's term of service as Chief Justice of the Colony expired, and to-day the Hon. Mr. Rees Davies, K.C., who has been Acting Chief Justice during the past week, succeeds to the substantive post. Sir Francis Pigott is still engaged on the very onerous and important work of revising the Ordinances of the Colony, but expects to complete the work in the course of the present month. The first two volumes will be issued about the 15th of May and the third and final volume shortly afterwards. We understand that while there is a strong probability that Sir Francis will enter the service of the Chinese Government as Legal Adviser—a post he is eminently qualified to fill—no definite decision has yet been reached in the matter. As most of our readers will know, Sir Francis Pigott was Legal Adviser to "the creator of the constitution of Japan" (the late Prince Ito), and he is the author of several legal works, including one on Extraterritoriality and Consular Jurisdiction, which indicate the special qualifications of Sir Francis for the post in connection with which his name has recently been mentioned. It need hardly be added that the Chinese Government by appointing a jurist of Sir Francis Pigott's standing would create an excellent impression among the Powers, because it would be substantial proof that solid progress is intended, and we hope that at an early date we may be able to congratulate both the Chinese Government and Sir Francis Pigott upon the appointment.

THE MAGISTRACY.

Three Sanitary Board coolies were charged with having taken a purse from the body of a woman which they were taking to the mortuary. Defendants were remanded, bail in \$25 being allowed.

At the Magistracy yesterday a shoemaker, who said he had just returned from the country, was charged with having sold twenty cents worth of opium. He was fined \$100 or two months' imprisonment.

A rent collector living in Des Vaux Road West was charged with having given a receipt for an amount exceeding ten dollars, without stamping the document. He was fined \$110. Two other men were, for similar offences, fined \$10 each, and yet another was fined \$5.

Mrs. King, of 10, Kowloon Docks, was summoned by her house boy for alleged dismissal without notice, and refusal to pay wages due. Mrs. King brought a counter charge of disobedience of orders against the boy. The boy stated that Mrs. King dismissed him without giving him notice and refused to pay him \$9.80, the amount due to him for wages. Mrs. King's story was that the trouble arose over a chat which the boy neglected to deliver. When taxed with his negligence, he became insolent and threatened her, and demanded money. She refused to give it to him, and he then refused to work, eventually leaving without notice. Mr. Melbourne said he had come to the conclusion that the boy had been dismissed by Mrs. King, but rightly, as he had refused to work. She would have to pay the boy the \$9.80 due, and the boy would be fined \$10.

THE TYPHOON REFUGE.

The Hon. Mr. Osborne has given notice of his intention to ask the following questions at to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council:—

1.—Will the Government state whether the progress made on the Typhoon Refuge (as indicated by the financial statement and diagram recently laid before Council) is consistent with completion of the work within the contract period?

2.—If the progress made is not consistent with completion of the work within the contract period, will the Government state what steps will be taken to ensure completion within that period?

BANGKOK-EUROPE LINE.

MOTOR LINERS.

The new time-table just issued by the East Asiatic Co., Ltd., of their Bangkok-Europe line shows that two more motor-liners will be placed on the run very shortly. The *Selandia* will be seen this week on the Menam, the *Jalandia* is due in Bangkok early in July, and the *Fionia* in August.

The service is now three-weekly, a year ago it was monthly, and in 1912 it will become fortnightly.—*Bangkok Times.*

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE "TITANIC" CALAMITY.

THE SENATORIAL INQUIRY RESUMED.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that Mr. Marconi on being recalled was asked by the Chairman to discourage the practice of wireless operators selling news. He concurred and added that he attributed the *Carpathia's* silence to the response to the official enquiries to the fact that the operator was busy communicating with the relatives of survivors. The Chairman asked if it would be possible to ascertain what messages were sent by Mr. Ismay and others from the *Carpathia*, whereupon Mr. Franklin said that Mr. Ismay and the White Star Company would gladly permit them to cable to the wireless companies to communicate the messages sent in connection therewith.

Mr. Sammis, Marconi's chief engineer, repudiated the assertion that he was the means of suppressing the news from the *Carpathia*, though he arranged the sale of the operators' personal stories in order to brace them up. The operators each got 750 dollars from newspapers. None of the officials of the company got anything.

A passenger named Woolner, a Londoner, mentioned that the millionaire Strauss refused the invitation to enter the boats before the other men.

EULOGY OF MR. ISMAY.

LONDON, April 30th.

Reuter's correspondent at Wellington telegraphs that Mr. Havelock Wilson, the Secretary of the National Seamen's Union, speaking at Auckland, said he did not believe that Mr. Ismay or his colleagues were responsible for the *Titanic* disaster. The name of Ismay stood high in shipping circles and he was delighted that Mr. Ismay had been saved. Mr. Wilson blamed the Board of Trade for allowing the existing regulations to continue so long. The Commission should recognise that keeping vessels afloat was of even greater importance than increasing the boat accommodation.

SEAMEN AND FIREMEN'S ATTITUDE.

A mass meeting of the seamen and firemen of Liverpool resolved to refuse to coal or load a ship carrying non-union labour or Chinese, also that a Union official must attend the tests of lifeboats, etc. Further, they resolved to refuse to join any vessel unless an official was present at signing-on.

The Mersey Branch of the Union has prevented men from signing on on any liner as the men's demands for an increase of wages had not been granted.

Up to the present fourteen Liverpool firms have refused the demands of the men.

AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

LONDON, April 30th.

A telegram from New York states that the greatest interest is being taken in to-day's primary elections in Massachusetts, where President Taft and Col. Roosevelt are following each other, attacking and defending with an asperity unequalled in presidential politics. Up till now of 672 delegates elected by the Republican Convention 415 are for President Taft, and 207 for Col. Roosevelt. Massachusetts chooses 38, but the issue is interesting, as it is expected that the State will vote solidly for one or the other.

LAWN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, April 30th.

At the Queen's Club covered court in the lawn tennis championship competition, Gobert, of France, the holder of the championship, beat Wilding, of New Zealand, 3/6, 5/7, 6/4, 6/4.

ANTARCTIC EXPLORER DROWNED.

LONDON, April 30th.

A message from New York states that the explorer Borup, who accompanied Commander Peary on his Polar expedition, has been drowned in Long Island Sound, through the upsetting of his canoe.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE CLOSING OF THE DARDANELLES.

LONDON, April 30th.

At question time in the House of Commons Mr. Mark Sykes suggested a local armistice at the Dardanelles to give an opportunity for the egress of detained ships into the Mediterranean.

Mr. Acland said Sir Edward Grey had consulted the Powers regarding such a temporary measure if the channel were not opened soon.

LATER.

A wire from Constantinople states that the Foreign Minister has informed the Ambassadors that the Porte regretted that it was unable to comply with the request to re-open the Dardanelles, in view of the possibility of further attack by the Italians, unless the Powers guaranteed the security of the Straits. The position is regarded seriously by diplomats.

THE MOTOR CAR BANDITS.

LONDON, April 30th.

Feverish interest is being shown in the Bonnot siege, and the hawkers in Paris have sold nearly a million copies of special editions of the newspapers. Special trains are being run to bring back the spectators of the siege.

The police have started a campaign against all anarchists.

It appears that Bonnot and Dubois were killed by shots from the police and did not commit suicide.

AN AVIATOR'S FALL.

LONDON, April 30th.

A Paris message states that the famous aviator Vedrines, in making a flight from Paris to Brussels and Madrid, started at Douai, but fell at Epinay-sur-Seine and was taken to the hospital with a fractured skull.

LATER.

An operation for trepanning has been performed on Vedrines.

It appears that his motor stopped and he vol-planned towards the railway for lack of a better landing-place. His machine either touched a passing train or was upset by the rush of air.

THE QUEENSLAND ELECTIONS.

LONDON, April 30th.

A Brisbane message states that the Government have secured a majority of eighteen against eight in the last Parliament.

The Premier issued a manifesto on polling day, declaring that the contest lay between Parliamentary Government and syndicalism, whose sole achievement was the general strike with its attendant horrors.

TROUBLESOME CRETE.

LONDON, April 30th.

At Canea the British cruiser *Minerva* fired a blank charge to arrest the passage of a steamer in which the Cretan deputies who were irregularly elected to the Greek Chamber were proceeding to Athens. The deputies were transhipped to the cruiser *Hampshire*, on board which they are being detained.

A MILITARY APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, April 30th.

Brigadier-General Hickmann has been appointed to the Cape of Good Hope command.

TIBET UNDER THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

THE NEW ADMINISTRATION.

A Calcutta telegram to *The Times*, dated the 4th inst., says:—

The Gyantse correspondent of the *Statesman* writes that the Chinese Amban in Tibet having received telegrams from Yuan Shih-kai announcing the establishment of the Republic, proclamations in Chinese and Tibetan were posted on March 7th. A caravan from Szechuan has reached Lhasa bringing 180,000 taels silver for the payment of the troops. The Chinese population in Lhasa have discarded queues, and the officials wear frock coats and top-hats. The new five-colour flag flies over the Administration buildings. A representative Council has been constituted, and on March 18th the Amban deputed his duties to Ho Tsi-yi, who is still Deputy Military Governor in Tibet of the Szechuan Provincial Government. Thus Tibet is now part of a Chinese province.

The Tibetans are festive and are reported to be concerting measures for the extermination of the Chinese. Thousands of Tibetan soldiers are rumoured to be near Shigatse, disregarding the Tash Lama's entreaties to disperse.

THE NEED OF PUBLIC BATHING PLACES.

The Hon. Mr. E. Osborne has given notice of his intention to move at to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council the following resolution:—"That in the opinion of this Council it is desirable to establish public bathing places at the Eastern and Western extremities of the town."

The establishment of such bathing places was advocated in the *Daily Press* two or three years ago. Since then some work appears to have been done in clearing parts of the beach of boulders at both ends of the town and during the summer months a growing use has been made of these bathing places. There is a large class who cannot afford to participate in the summer launch parties, but would appreciate facilities for bathing were they afforded at points easily accessible by tram or rickshaw. The Hon. Mr. Osborne's interest in the matter will be widely welcomed.

LAWN TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

Only one match was played on Monday in connection with the Club tournament, the final in the Doubles Handicap ("A" class). The players were Messrs. H. A. Nisbet and H. R. Phelps, and Lieut.-Col. H. D. Staepole and Capt. F. J. Bowen. Though the former pair proved much too good for their opponents, the match was exceedingly interesting, especially in the third set, which was won, after a series of fine rallies, by the two officers. Nisbet and Phelps, however, were too active, and Nesbit's service and placing too accurate, for the losers, who under the circumstances, played very plucky tennis.

The scores were:—
H. A. Nisbet and H. R. Phelps (own 30) v. Lieut.-Col. Staepole and Capt. F. J. Bowen, 6-3, 6-2, 5-7, 6-3.

The final for the Singles Championship will be played off this afternoon, between Mr. H. A. Nisbet and Mr. H. Hancock, and in the final of the "B" class Doubles, Dr. W. V. M. Koch and Dr. F. Grone will meet Capt. J. G. Agg and Capt. N. C. S. Simson. To-morrow afternoon, Mr. M. Maas will play Mr. R. Henderson in the final of the "B" class Singles Handicap.

THE FAREWELL CONCERT TO MRS. GORDON.

The farewell concert arranged in honour of Mrs. A. G. Gordon takes place in the Drill Hall of the Volunteer Headquarters this evening, and, as will be gathered from a perusal of the programme printed below, it will be a concert well worthy of public patronage, quite apart from the fact that the concert has been prompted by the desire to tender to Mrs. Gordon before her departure from the Colony some public appreciation of the valuable aid she has always readily given on the concert platform during the long period of thirty years, especially whenever the cause of charity has made a call upon her services. Seats may be booked at Moutrie's or at the door. The full programme is as follows:—

PART I.

- 1—"Nirvana" Stephen Adams.
Mr. Geo. P. LAMBERT.
- 2—"The Enchantress"
Mrs. A. G. GORDON.
- 3-Duet
Dr. & Mrs. SCHOFIELD.
- 4—"My Ships" Teschemacher.
Mr. H. I. JONES.
- 5—"Twas a Summer's Garden".....H. Lohr.
Mrs. F. MATTLAND.
- 6-Selected
Mr. R. SUTHERLAND.
- 7-A Song from "The Cycle of Love"
Landon Ronald.
- 8-"Matinata" P. Josti.
Mrs. SCHOFIELD.
- 9-(a) "There was a Star".....F. Lambert.
(b) Absent John W. Metcalf.
H. E. Mr. CLAUD SEVERN.
- 10-Pianoforte Solo—"Trish Rhapsody"
Rosenthal.
- 11-"My Ain Folk"
Mrs. A. G. GORDON.
- 12-"Bonnie Mary of Argyll"
Mr. G. W. C. BURNETT.

THE GREAT RAYMOND.

Doubtless owing to the inclemency of the weather the attendance at the Theatre Royal was not so large last night as on the previous occasion. However it included H.E. the Officer Administering the Government and a party from Government House. There was no difference in the interest aroused by the extraordinary performances of the King of Wonders who mystified his onlookers and certainly made them realise that things were not as they seemed. His tricks possess the charm of novelty and those who have not yet had the pleasure of being puzzled by the Great Raymond should not miss the opportunity.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

April 29th.

SUN YAT SEN'S ARRIVAL AND ENTRY.
On Thursday last when Dr. Sun Yat Sen arrived in a Chinese gunboat he made his appearance on the Admiralty wharf at 10.45, and was received by most of the leading men in the City. An imposing procession of different regiments of troops was drawn up and escorted the distinguished visitor, who was seated in a chair, through the City. The procession was headed by a brass band and was excellently controlled. From the blind they made their way through Tai Hong How, Tai Ping Sai, the Wing Hon Gate, the Tai Nam Gate, Sheung Moon Tai, Wai Oi Street to the Financial Bureau. Before Dr. Sun made his way to his temporary residence, he called at the Governor's Yamen, where he received an audience from the various officers of the Government. Since then he has been received by various bodies in the City; and there have been numerous processions in his honour in different parts of the town and suburbs. Yesterday Dr. Sun Yat Sen and his daughters were entertained in the Provincial Training Department.

CHAN KWING MING VANISHES.

Chan Kwing Ming, the Governor, has retired and left his position, to the surprise of most people. It was thought that he had made his position so secure that with the arrival of Sun Yat Sen any little grievances would have entirely disappeared. Chan is a man whom the Government cannot altogether afford to lose, and he may be expected before long to occupy a military position under the new Governor. He is essentially a military man and was the chief military adviser and Commander to Mr. Wu, the previous Governor. Despite many statements made against Mr. Chan, one cannot help admiring the way he has conducted matters during his tenure of office. He has been firm, and not too firm, as some think, and the way he carried through the suppression of Wong Wo Shun's rebellion and the disbandment of many of the pirate troops speaks volumes in his favour. The unfortunate business of the shooting of the editor turned public opinion against him; but it is a moot question whether this execution was not justified under the circumstances. The Chinese may or may not be ready for a republic yet; but one thing they must have is a strong man at the top and one who will show his authority.

NEW GOVERNOR.

Mr. Wu Hon Man, who was formerly Governor here, has been appointed the new Governor in Mr. Chan's place, and his appointment meets with universal approval. He is to arrive in Canton on Saturday and take up the reins of office.

RECEPTION OF THE NATIVE EDITORS.

The editors of the Chinese papers are to receive an audience of Dr. Sun Yat Sen immediately, when he will explain their duty in the present troublous times.

TROUBLE AT NAM HOI.

The other day a company of soldiers were sent to clear out a number of robbers who were becoming troublesome in this district. The robbers resisted and threw bombs, with the result that a few were killed and wounded before the soldiers had taken the law-breakers prisoner.

HONAM.

It is reported that a number of bad characters have made their way over to Honam and that a quantity of arms and ammunition is being smuggled there. Searches have been made, and a quantity of ammunition captured, while a large seizure of arms and ammunition was made on the *Wing On* yesterday. Li Fook Luen, who is entrusted with the duty of keeping order here, has posted soldiers all over the island, and every person going or coming is being searched, both foreigners and Chinese.

SCHOOLS' RECEPTION TO SUN YAT SEN.

On Tuesday all the schools in Canton will assemble at the Normal College, where a reception to Sun Yat Sen will be held. Great preparations are being made and a general holiday in scholastic circles is being declared.

LI FUNG, THE PIRATE CHIEF.

A notorious robber and pirate on the West River named Li Fung, who had for some time been holding up junks and boats on the river, has sent a communication to Sun Yat Sen offering to surrender himself and his men if he will be given a post under the new Government. He guarantees that his men will disperse quietly and suggests that some of them should be enlisted in the regular army. Things are getting pretty hot for the pirates on the West and East Rivers now, and this is but a sign of the times.

THE GONDOLIERS.

On Saturday night the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club gave a performance of "The Gondoliers" to a full and enthusiastic house in the Canton Club

Theatre. From start to finish the show went with a swing and there was not a dull moment throughout. Some of the performers were recalled three times, and this might have been repeated in other instances if time had allowed. Major Hunter as the Duke was dignity personified and his acting was very good indeed. Mrs. Schofield as Casilda was a pronounced success. She has a fine voice and used it to the best advantage, while her acting left little to be desired. Mr. G. P. Lammert as the Gondolier and sometime King was the success of the evening, his interpretation of "Take a pair of sparkling eyes" bringing down the house, and his two encores were well deserved. He has quite as good a voice as we have heard in Canton and we could have done with more of his singing. Mrs. Hunter imparted a great deal of life to the piece by her jolly and lively interpretation of her part, and the quartette "In a contemplative fashion" was noteworthy for the splendid way Mrs. Hunter and Mr. Lammert rendered their parts. The singing of "I am a Courtier Brave and Serious" was not quite so successful, and much more might have been made of that number. Mr. M. D. Silas as the Grand Inquisitor was good and his entries quite dramatic, but a little more humour could very well have been introduced into his part. The dance by the "Contadine" also deserves special mention, and got a fine reception from the audience. The scenery and dresses were as good as has ever been seen here, and the orchestra, under Mr. Denman Fuller, fulfilled the highest expectations. Altogether Canton will look forward to a visit of the Hongkong A.D.C. becoming an annual institution.

NEW ERA FOR WORLD COMMERCE.

THE PANAMA PACIFIC PREPARATIONS.
In anticipation of the Panama Pacific International Exhibition in 1915 San Francisco is sending to London the chairman of her most important committees, with the object of awakening interest in the new era that is approaching in the history of the world's commerce.

Mr. Frank L. Brown, a director of the exhibition, and chairman of its Publicity Committee, is already there. In an interview he explained to a representative of the *Pall Mall Gazette* all that San Francisco is doing for the exhibition, and its advantages to this country, in combination with the opening of the Panama Canal.

The rebuilding of San Francisco and the Panama Canal will both be completed in two or three years' time, and the international exhibition will be held to celebrate the two events. £10,000,000—£4,000,000 for the expenses of the exhibition, £3,500,000 for new roads, and £2,500,000 for wharves and docks—has already been voted by the State of California and the city of San Francisco for the purpose of putting their house in order to receive their guests in 1915, and to prepare for the great commercial developments.

San Francisco, moreover, has already elected for a term of four years its Exhibition Mayor, Mr. J. Rolph, jun., of the shipping firm of Messrs. Hind, Rolph, and Company, who represents the highest type of character of American citizenship. "Great Britain," Mr. Brown said, "will, it is hoped, play a most important part at the exhibition, for she has the ships, she has the men, and she has the money, and should be the first to seize the opportunity of the opening of the Panama Canal for greatly developing her carrying trade and commerce."

BRITAIN'S CHANCE.
"This wedding of the two oceans that will be brought about by the opening of the Canal will give Great Britain, amongst other advantages, these:—

1.—Wider world's markets for her manufactures in the countries of the Pacific Ocean.

2.—Will bring her nearer in point of time and distance to her Colonies in the Pacific.

3.—Will bring her into closer commercial relationship with China and Japan and the other countries of the Pacific Ocean that are just awakening to commercial development.

4.—Will give her a large part of the increased carrying trade that will result from these commercial developments.

5.—Increased development for British Columbia, Australia, and New Zealand, the Pacific coast ports becoming the front door of the nation instead of the back door as they have been in the past.

"At the International Exhibition," Mr. Brown added, "British merchants and manufacturers will have the opportunity of displaying their products and wares in the most attractive and most prominent manner possible before the greatest gathering of the peoples of the Orient and the Pacific Ocean countries that the world has ever seen."

"Never, indeed, before in the history of the world has there been such an opportunity for the development of new commerce and new commercial relationships as will be offered by the completion of the Panama Canal, and by its fitting celebration at the great International World's Exhibition."

Incidentally he paid a high tribute to the British insurance companies that met so promptly their obligations after the great fire that destroyed San Francisco six years ago; expressed the gratitude and appreciation that her citizens felt at the "splendidly fair and square treatment" and foreshadowed a full and just measure of reward in future business.

Two "slogans," he added, have been adopted by the State of California and the city of San Francisco for the Exhibition:—

1.—California invites the world to the Exhibition City, San Francisco, 1915; and

2.—Come and lift the latch of the Golden Gate; it swings on the hinges of hospitality.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING CO.

An extraordinary general meeting of the above Company was held yesterday at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. The chair was occupied by the Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross (chairman), and there were also present Sir Paul Chater, Mr. J. W. C. Honnar (Consulting Committee), Messrs. Moxon, H. Gittens, Lo K. Shui, H. F. Hickman, G. Friesland, A. S. Ellis, A. Rodger, J. Harrop (manager), J. Kerbot consulting engineer and Chas. Bewick (secretary).

The SECRETARY having read the notice convening the meeting,

The CHAIRMAN said—I have asked you to meet here to-day to consider an offer which has been made by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Shanghai, to purchase from the Company 10,000 of its spindles and accompanying equipment at \$15 per spindle delivered in Shanghai. In my opinion the offer is an advantageous one, and had it emanated from any other source but that of a branch of my own firm, I should have recommended your Consulting Committee to themselves sanction the sale. Under the circumstances, however, I think it is in every way preferable to lay the offer fully and clearly before you, so that each and all of you may have full opportunity of considering the proposal. You will remember at our last meeting, that I mentioned having received an offer from Japanese friends for the entire Mill as it stands, i.e., land, buildings, plant, machinery, etc.—which was declined as being inadequate, and I may now state that the amount offered was \$700,000. The offer which I put before you to-day, for 10,000 spindles and equipment, shows a net return to the Company of \$160,000. On our total installation of 55,000 spindles this is equivalent to \$390,000, for the spinning plant alone, quite apart from land, buildings and power plant, which would still remain intact. I may here remark that the whole of our plant and machinery is written down to the equivalent of \$11 per spindle and it would therefore appear that the Shanghai offer is advantageous. In submitting this offer for shareholders' sanction, the general managers have had before them the following considerations. Notwithstanding our utmost endeavours, the supply of efficient labour causes us anxiety and trouble. There is no doubt that the scale of wage which we can afford to pay offers but small inducement to the best class of labour and as in the past we have rarely been able from this cause to work our full number of spindles. It is obviously better to get rid of our surplus quantity in preference to keeping these idle. The Shanghai offer is for 10,000 spindles and of this quantity there are 5,000 spindles and preparation, purchased in the days of our prosperity, which have now been standing idle for several years. They are erected in a room, which was originally intended for ginning cotton, but as this room was not very conveniently situated, it was found in practice to be costly in the transfer of material to and from the main mill, and there was also constant difficulty in providing operatives for the machines, this isolated plant has therefore given but a small return on the money invested. These 5,000 spindles could therefore be disposed of without in any way interfering with the mill as originally planned, and while these remarks do not apply to the same extent to the other 5,000, yet they can be spared, and the remaining plant would in the opinion of our consulting engineer and of our manager be quite sufficient for the finer yarns which it has been decided to spin and supply to Hongkong and China markets. I would also point out that the money received for these spindles would materially reduce our overdraft—and by saving of interest (nearly \$10,000 per annum) would reduce cost of production. A point which I think should also be brought to your notice is the possibility in the future of the Republican Government of China adopting a policy of protection for industries within her borders and of arranging with the Treaty Powers for a very material increase in her Import Tariff. These changes may come perhaps sooner than many of us now deem probable or possible, and it might then become necessary for us to consider the advisability of transferring our Company or of selling the whole of our plant and machinery to China, and if the present favourable offer be accepted by you it might form a satisfactory basis for such negotiations in the future.

The CHAIRMAN then proposed the following resolution: "That the general managers be authorised to sell 10,000 spindles belonging to the company with their accompanying equipment to Messrs. Jardine & Co., Ltd. in Shanghai."

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN put the resolution to the meeting, and it was carried unanimously.

THE PEAK CHURCH, HONGKONG.

The report for 1911-12 reads:—
The Committee have pleasure in presenting the following Report of the Peak Church for the year ended March 31st, 1912.

During the year a Celebration of the Holy Communion was held every Sunday at 8 a.m. and the number of Communicants was well up to the average. For four and a half months in the summer Evensong was said each Sunday at 6.30 p.m. and a few Special Services, including two for Chinese, were also held.

During the winter months Children's Services were held on the first and last Sundays of each month by the Rev. C. H. Hickling and the Rev. F. T. Johnson respectively; on the remaining Sundays a Sunday School was conducted by Mrs. J. A. Stewart, Mrs. W. M. Stewart and Miss Tomes under the superintendence of the Rev. F. T. Johnson.

The Committee desire to express their thanks to these ladies for their assistance in the Sunday School; also to Mrs. Hornby for playing the Harmonium at the Children's Services, to Mrs. J. A. Stewart for arranging the flowers week by week, and to the Clergy who have conducted Services in the church during the year.

In May an additional sum of \$250 was added to the amount on Fixed Deposit, making a total of \$1,250. The Offerings amounted to \$321.38, but, owing to exceptional expenditure for repairs which became necessary in the autumn, there is at present a deficit of \$172.61 on Current Account.

The Accounts, kindly audited by Mr. E. F. Aucott, are appended.

F. T. JOHNSON,
For the Committee.

THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF CHINA.

The *Times* of April 4th in a leading article on "Republican China" says:—

Whatever may be the precise political opinions of the new Ministers, they have marked advantages over their predecessors under the old régime. All of them, or almost all of them, have been educated abroad upon Western lines, and several of them have lived for years in Western countries. Men with this training and with this experience can hardly help having a grasp of realities, and a power of judging them soberly and sanely, which were unknown to the ignorant obscurants of the Taung-ly-yamen and the Wai-wu-pu. They are likely enough to make mistakes in their efforts to solve the immense problem before them, but their mistakes will differ in kind from those of their predecessors. They may cherish a profound faith, and even an exaggerated faith, in the moral and material resources of their country and in the possibility of developing those resources within a few years. They can hardly entertain the delusion that China is now a great and powerful State which can afford to look down upon Europeans as ignorant barbarians and to treat them accordingly. But it is at home rather than abroad that their chief difficulties will lie—difficulties

SUN YAT-SEN'S PRAYER.

(FROM A STUDENT OF CHINESE IN "THE TIMES.")

PEKING, March 8.

Since the Ming dynasty lost the Empire, 267 years have elapsed. On Monday, February 12, on the 42nd day after the establishment of the Nanking Republic, the Manchou Emperor abdicated, and the United Republic of China came into being. In celebration of this event Sun Yat-sen, the outgoing Provisional President, who on the previous day had laid down his office in favour of Yuan Shih-kai, proceeded on February 15 to the sepulchre of Chu Yuan-chang, founder of the Ming dynasty, who is buried in the vicinity of Nanking, his former capital, to inform the spirit of the Emperor of the glorious recapture of China from the alien Tartar dynasty, whose way had lasted the last nine generations foretold by an ancient prophecy. At the head of his Cabinet, attended by civil and military officials and with an imposing escort, President Sun Yat-sen proceeded to pay reverent obeisance at the mausoleum of the great founder of the dynasty. At the entrance to the mausoleum the party dismounted, and passed into the place of sacrifice immediately overlooking the lofty *tumulus*, within which the remains of the Emperor rest. Here Sun Yat-sen performed the customary sacrifice, and offered up the following prayer, the whole phrasing of which makes it worthy to be enshrined among the classics of China.

The prayer is typical of the liturgy used in the Ancestral Temple, where every important event in a dynasty's history is always announced to the spirit tablet of the founder, in conformity with the Confucian principle of serving the dead as if they were present in the flesh. The style is the elaborate form employed in State ritual, but has a special pathos of its own in consequence of the evident emotion which animated the performer of the majestic ceremony on so solemn an occasion. It shows the detestation felt for the alien oppressor.

The following is the prayer:—

Of old the Sung dynasty became effete, and the Liao Tatars and Yuan dynasty Mongols seized the occasion to throw this domain of China into confusion to the fierce indignation of gods and men. It was then that Your Majesty, our founder, arose in your wrath from obscurity, and destroyed those monsters of iniquity, so that the ancient glory was won again. In twelve years you consolidated the Imperial sway, and the dominions of the Great Yu were purged of pollution and cleansed from the noisome Tartar. Often in history has our noble Chinese race been enslaved, by petty frontier barbarians from the north. Never have such glorious triumphs been won over them as by Your Majesty achieved. But your descendants were degenerate and failed to carry on your glorious heritage; they entrusted the reins of government to bad men, and pursued a short-sighted policy. In this way they encouraged the ambitions of the eastern Tartar savages, and fostered the growth of their power. They were thus able to take advantage of the presence of rebels to invade and possess themselves of your sacred capital. From a bad emperor of glory basely won, and our beloved China's most holy soil and hills were defiled by their corrupting touch, while the people fell victims to the headman's axe or the avenging sword. Although worthy patriots and faithful subjects of your dynasty crossed the mountain ranges into Canton and the far south, in the hope of redeeming the glorious Ming tradition from utter ruin, and of prolonging a thread of the old dynasty's life, although men gladly perished one after the other in the forlorn attempt, heaven's wrath remained unappeased, and mortal designs failed to achieve success. A brief and melancholy page was added to the history of your dynasty; and that was all.

MANCHU DESPOTISM.

As time went on, the law became ever harsher, and the meshes of its inexorable net grew closer. Alas for our Chinese people, who crouched in corners and listened with startled ears, deprived of power of utterance, and with tongues glued to their mouths, for their lives were past saving. Those others usurped titles to throned clemency and justice, while prostituting the sacred doctrines of the sages: whom they affected to honour. They ordered to force acquiescence in their tyranny. The Manchu despotism became so thorough and so embracing that they were enabled to prolong their dynasty's existence by cunning wiles. But even so, rebellions occurred. In Yung Cheng's reign the Han Chinese Chang Hai and Tsang Ching preached sedition against the dynasty in their native province, while in Chia Ching's reign the Palace conspiracy of Lin Ching Hsiangyang that Monarch in his capital. These events were followed by rebellions in Szechuan and Shensi; under Tao Kuang and his successor the Taipings started their campaign from a remote Kwangsi village. Although these worthy causes were destined to ultimate defeat, the gradual trend of the national will became manifest. At last our own era dawned, the sun of freedom had risen, and a sense of the rights of the race animated men's minds. In addition the Manchou bandits could no longer protect themselves. Powerful of China, and the dynasty parted with our sacred soil to enrich neighbouring nations. The Chinese race of to-day may be degenerate, but it is descended from mighty men of old. How should it endure that the spirits of the great dead should be insulted by the everlasting visitation of this scourge!

PREVIOUS INSURRECTIONS.

Then did patriots arise like a whirlwind or like a cloud which is suddenly manifested in the firmament. They began with the Canton insurrection; then Peking was alarmed by Wu Yieh's bomb (in 1905). A year later Hsu Hsi-lin fired his bullet into the vitals of the Manchou robber chief, En Ming, Governor of Anhui. Hsiung Cheng-chi raised the standard of liberty on the Yangtze's banks; rising followed rising all over the Empire, until the secret plot against the Regent was discovered, and the abortive insurrection in Canton started the capital. One failure followed another, but other brave men took the place of the heroes who died, and the Empire was born again to life. The

bandit Manchou Court was shaken with pallid terror, until the cicada shook off its shell in a glorious regeneration, and the present crowning triumph was achieved. The patriotic crusade started in Wuchang; the four corners of the Empire responded to the call. Coast regions nobly followed in their wake, and the Yangtze was won back by our armies. The region south of the Yellow River was lost to the Manchous, and the north manifested its sympathy with our cause. An earthquake shook the barbarian Court of Peking, and it was smitten with a paralysis. To-day it has at last restored the Government to the Chinese people, and the five races of China may dwell together in peace and mutual trust. Let us joyfully give thanks. How could we have attained this measure of victory had not Your Majesty's soul in heaven bestowed upon us your protecting influence? I have heard say that triumphs of Tartar savages over our China were destined never to last longer than a hundred years. But the reign of these Manchous endured unto double, yea, unto treble, that period. Yet Providence knows the appointed hour, and the moment comes at last. We are initiating the example to Eastern Asia of a Republican form of Government: success comes early or late to those who strive, but the good are surely rewarded in the end. Why then should we repine to-day that victory has tarried long? I have heard that in the past many would-be deliverers of their country have ascended this lofty mound wherein is your sepulchre. It has served to them as a holy inspiration. As they looked down the surrounding rivers and upward to the hills, under an alien sway, they wept in the bitterness of their hearts, but to-day their sorrow is turned into joy. The spiritual influences of your grave at Nanking have come once more into their own. The dragon crouches in majesty as of old, and the tiger surveys his domain and his ancient capital. Everywhere a beautiful repose doth reign. Your legions line the approaches to the sepulchre: a noble host stands expectant. Your people have come here to-day to inform your Majesty of the final victory. May this lofty shrine wherein you rest gain fresh lustre from to-day's event and may your example inspire your descendants in the times which are to come. Spirit! Accept this offering!

INTIMATIONS

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The str. Muttra is due here on the 28th from Japan, and leaves on the 29th for Rangoon via the Straits.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The str. Gregory Apar from Shanghai and Kobe left Moji on the 29th April, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 4th May.

Suitang, from Calcutta, is due in Hongkong 7th May.

Hopang, from Singapore, is due in Hongkong 1st May.

The str. Glenesk left Singapore on the 30th April, a.m., and is due here on or about 6th May, a.m.

The A.L. str. Bohemia left Singapore for this port on the 29th April, p.m., and will arrive here on the 4th May, a.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. Buelow, carrying the German mails, left Singapore on the 27th April, at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 1st May, at noon.

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The H.A.L. str. Andalusia left Singapore on the 25th April, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 1st May, a.m.

The str. Indramayo left Singapore on the 27th April, p.m., and is due here on or about 3rd May, a.m.

The str. Dilwara, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 28th April, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 4th May.

The str. Indramayo passed the Suez Canal on the 9th April, and is due here on or about 8th May.

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HAINAN, British str., 641, A. H. Stewart, 30th April—Swatow 24th April, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
HUPEN, British str., 1,205, Tucher, 30th April—Newchwang 24th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
KLEIST, German str., 5,727, L. Maass, 30th April—Yokohama 30th April, General—Melchers & Co.
LOTHIAN, British str., 3,222, W. J. Lockhart, 30th April—Singapore 24th April, General—Dodwell & Co.
NAMUR, British str., 4,179, F. E. Andrew, 30th April—Yokohama 17th April, General—P. O. S. N. Co.
NILE, British str., 3,135, F. G. P. Eeckhout, 30th April—San Francisco 3rd April, Mails and General—Pacific Mail S.S. Co.
NINGCHOW, British str., 5,836, Jas. Milne, 30th April—Shanghai 27th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
SHANTUNG, British str., 1,835, J. Robinson, 29th April—Moji 23rd April, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
TUNGST, Norwegian str., 1,030, C. L. Halvorsen, 30th April—Saigon 25th April, Rice—Siemssen & Co.
YUENSAI, British str., 1,432, R. H. Rolfe, 30th April—Manila 30th April, Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
April 30th.
CHILDAN, Norwegian str., for Manila.
CHINA, Austrian str., for Straits.
HAINAN, British str., for Swatow.
KUMSANG, British str., for Japan.
MATHILDE, German str., for Haiphong.
MUTTRA, British str., for Straits.
NAMUR, British str., for Straits.
SUNG MARI, Japanese str., for Swatow.
SUNGKIAN, British str., for Haiphong.
WAISHING, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

April 30th.
CHONGCHING, British str., for Swatow.
IRENE, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
KLEIST, German str., for Manila.
KUMSANG, British str., for Japan.
MACHAO, British str., for Singapore.
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SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Lothian* reports: Fine weather.
The British str. *Yuenwang* reports: Fine weather, light variable breeze.
The British str. *Hainan* reports: Light breeze, clear, fine weather and smooth sea.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
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DEPARTED.
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March 15th—*Derflinger*, *Erroll*, *Kleist*, *Tango Maru*, *Ville de la Orot*, *Arcadia*, *Loat*, 19th—*Erzherzog Franz Ferdinand*, *Glenstrath*, *Kanaka Maru*, *Hoyune*, *Peshawar*, *Socotra*, *Thesus*, *Yangtze*, 22nd—*Calchas*, *Ernest Simon*, *Idemeneus*, *Pathan*, *Sagonia*, *Silecia*, 24th—*Bentley*, *Borneo*, *Kawachi Maru*, *Peking*, *Prism*, *Scandia*, *Sikhonia*, 25th—*Bellerophon*, *Dioneda*, *Kamo Maru*, *Lothian*, *Prinz Bittel Friedrich*, *Prinz Ludwig*, *Satsuma*, *Yarra*, 2nd April—*Andalusia*, *Inverclyde*, *Kitano Maru*, *Nile*, *Patroclus*, *Stentor*, *Teucer*, *Rhesus*, 8th—*Ahi Maru*, *Ambrisa*, *Bayern*, *Dumbca*, *Glenek*, *Hyson*, *Indramayo*, *Peresta*, *Seneca*, *Spezia*, *Syria*, *India*, 12th April—*Bennorlich*, *Bulow*, *Ernest Simon*, *Meinam*, *York*, *Africa*, 16th—*Iyo Maru*, *Annam*, *Africa*, *Prometheus*, *Badenia*, *Kina*, 16th—*Denlary*, *Denbighshire*, *Mennon*, *Nore*, *Pera*, *Tourane*, 22nd—*Bengloe*, *Bentomond*, *Dardanus*, *Gomayanshire*, *Tanon*, *Park*, *Patric*, *Plecia*, *Preussner*, *Vladimir*, 28th—*Coben*, *Jeacrie*, *Mishima Maru*, *Nera*, *Princess Alice*, *Alphon Prince*, *Suevia*.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

April 26th—*Annam*, *Tourane*, *Africa*.

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ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	O. J. D. ABLES	Ger. str.	k. w.	Gronau	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 4th inst.	
HAYRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	ACADIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Loening	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 27th inst.	
HAYRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	C. FRED. LAHSE	Ger. str.	k. w.	Knaul	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 12th inst.	
MANILA, NAPLES, GENOA, ALGERES, GIBRALTAR, &c.	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	L. Maass	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 7th June.	
MARSEILLES, HAYRE & HAMBURG &c.	KLEIST	Ger. str.	—	Wagner	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day, at 10 A.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SACHSEN	Ger. str.	—	T. Yamawaki	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 5th inst.	
MARSEILLES, HAYRE & HAMBURG, &c.	HITACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Kotake	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at D'light.	
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SADOMARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Asakawa	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th inst., at Noon.	
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SHANTEN MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 14th inst., at 1 P.M.	
TRIESTE, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, &c.	MEXICO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at 1 P.M.	
TRIESTE, Fiume, Venice via SINGAPORE, &c.	BOHENTIA	Aus. str.	—	—	SANDER, WILHELM & CO.	On 19th inst., at 6 P.M.	
NEW YORK	MAITOPPO	Aus. str.	—	Dormand	SANDER, WILHELM & CO.	On 1st June.	
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EXPRESS OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	THE BANK LINE LTD.	About 15th inst.	
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. Davidson	CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY	On 11th inst., at 6 P.M.	
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	CHITO MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. W. Greene	TOTO KAISEN KAISHA	On 1st June, at 5 P.M.	
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	NILE	Am. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	On 7th inst., at Noon.	
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	MONGOLIA	Am. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	On 14th inst., at 1 P.M.	
ODESSA	YAROSLAV	Aus. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 21st inst., at 1 P.M.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	GUTHRIE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 4th inst., P.M.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	COLEMAN	Ger. str.	—	L. Klugkist	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th inst., at 4 P.M.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	RASTEIN	Am. str.	—	T. W. Garlick	MELCHERS & Co.	On 18th inst., at 9 A.M.	
SEATTLE, NAGASAKI, ISLAND SEA, AND JAPAN	MINNESOTA	Am. str.	—	W. H. Whittingham	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 25th inst.	
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	FAZILKA	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 6th inst., at Noon.	
YOKOHAMA & KOBE VIA SHANGHAI	PERBIA	Aus. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 9th inst., at Noon.	
KOBE	COLEMAN	Ger. str.	—	L. Klugkist	SANDER, WILHELM & CO.	About 30th inst.	
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	IYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	R. Takada	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th inst.	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th inst., at Noon.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	FOOKSANG	Brit. str.	—	J. B. v. Damme	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 19th inst., at D'light.	
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILEAN VIA JAPAN	HONGKONG MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. Mooney	TOTO KAISEN KAISHA	On 7th June, at Noon.	
JAPAN	CHIPSING	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	Quick despatch.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 7th inst., at Noon.	
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BUELOW	Ger. str.	1 m.	L. Jones	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI & KOBE	KIRIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Formes	MELCHERS & Co.	About 2nd inst.	
SHANGHAI	WAISHING	Brit. str.	—	M. Deguchi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd inst., at Noon.	
SHANGHAI	LIANAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. S. Hohnwood	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 4th inst., at M'night.	
SHANGHAI	BOHEMIA	Aus. str.	—	C. C. Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th inst., at D'light.	
SHANGHAI	CHONGSANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	M. Courtney	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th inst., at D'light.	
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	BOMAT MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Nogrudi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th inst.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	DILWABA	Brit. str.	—	H. A. Sharpe	DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.	On 8th inst., at 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SYRIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 8th inst.	
SHANGHAI	CHINWUA	Brit. str.	—	W. B. Hickey	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. B. Harris	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 9th inst.	
SHANGHAI	ARHUI	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th inst., at M'night.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	CEYLON	Swed. str.	—	—	ARTHUR NISLSON & Co.	On 20th inst.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	J. P. Scholte	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 1st June.	
SHANGHAI	YIMMAY	Dut. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.	
FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SAJO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 8th inst., at Noon.	
AMOI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SOERY MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-day, at 10 A.M.	
TAMU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIGI MURU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 5th inst., at Noon.	
AMOI, WEIHAWEI, CHEFOO & TIENSIN	KUENICHOV	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.	
SWATOW, AMOI & FOOCHOW	BAICHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	W. C. Passmore	DOUGLAS LARPAIX & Co.	On 10th inst., at 11 A.M.	
SWATOW, AMOI, NINGPO & SHANGHAI	HUNAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. H. Stewart	DOUGLAS LARPAIX & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.	
SWATOW	HAIKUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. S. Rosch	DOUGLAS LARPAIX & Co.	To-day, at 11 A.M.	
SWATOW, AMOI & FOOCHOW	HAITANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. B. Evans	DOUGLAS LARPAIX & Co.	On 3rd inst., at 11 A.M.	
MANILA, MANGARIN, ILOILO & CEBU	ROBI	Am. str.	—	S. A. Crosby	SEAWAN, TOMES & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.	
MANILA	TUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 4th inst., at 2 P.M.	
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	YAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. W. Osterbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th inst., at 4 P.M.	
MANILA, MANGARIN, ILOILO & CEBU	LONGSANG	Am. str.	—	M. C. Smith	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 11th inst., at 2 P.M.	
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.	ZAPISO	Am. str.	—	—	SEAWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.	
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	TIDODAS	Dut. str.	—	Bouman	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th inst.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Y. Nomura	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd inst., at D'light.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	MUTTRA	Brit. str.	—	R. B. O'Sullivan	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 4th inst., at Noon.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	HOPKINS	Brit. str.	—	J. M. Hay	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 4th inst.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	TOTOMI MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Moeker	DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.	On 8th inst., at 1 P.M.	
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	J. E. Drake	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of May.	
HAIPHONG	BENRO	Ger. str.	—	F. Semblil	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 9 A.M.	
KWANG CHOW WANG & HAIPHONG	SUKORANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Mathies	MAGNETS MARITIMES	On 8th inst., at 9 A.M.	
	SI-KIANG	Frco. str.	—	E. de Catalano			

INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
FOR
* SHANGHAI "WASHING" Friday, 3rd May, Noon.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA "HOPKINS" Saturday, 4th May, Noon.
* MANILA "YUENSANG" Saturday, 4th May, 2 P.M.
* SHANGHAI "CHOYANG" Sunday, 5th May, D'light.
* TIENSIN "CHIPSING" Tuesday, 7th May, Noon.
* MANILA "LOONGSANG" Saturday, 11th May, 2 P.M.
* SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI "FOOKSANG" Sunday, 19th May, D'light.
RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN,
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The Steamers "KUTSANG," "NAMSANG," and "FOOKSANG" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong.
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Hongkong, 1st May, 1912. GENERAL MANAGERS. [15]

BRITISH INDIA S. N. CO., LD.

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The S.S. "FAZILKA," 4,152 tons, Captain W. H. Whittingham, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA and KOBE on 9th May, at Noon, taking Cargo Passengers at Current Rates. To be followed by S.S. "WARDHA," 3,976 tons, Captain E. W. Peck.
WESTWARD.
The S.S. "MUTTRA" will leave Hongkong for SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON on 5th May, at Daylight, followed by the S.S. "FULTALA," on 10th May, taking Cargo and Passengers at Current Rates.
The above Steamers have excellent saloon accommodation for passengers and are fitted with all modern conveniences.
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Telephone No. 215, Hongkong, 1st May, 1912. AGENTS [29]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR STRAITS DATES OF DEPARTURE
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP "FLINTSHIRE" On 19th May.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA "MONMOUTHSHIRE" About 1st June.
LONDON & ANTWERP "DENBIGHSHIRE" About 15th June.
These Steamers have superior accommodation for a limited number of First Class Passengers. Cabins are situated amidships, and are fitted with electric light and fans. Attention is particularly directed to the moderate fares charged.
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AGENTS.
Hongkong, 27th April, 1912. [59]

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG AND QUEBEC.
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FOR VANCOUVER.	FOR LIVERPOOL.
1912	1912
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" Sat., 11th May.	"ALLAN LINE" Fri., 7th June.
"MONTEAGLE" Sat., 1st June.	"EMPRESS OF BRITAIN" Fri., 28th June.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" Sat., 22nd June.	"ALLAN LINE" Fri., 19th July.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" Sat., 13th July.	"EMPRESS OF IRELAND" Fri., 9th Aug.

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THE Departure of the Steamer
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Captain L. Maass, has been Postponed to TO-DAY, the 1st May, at 10 A.M.
She will start from the French Mail Eastern buoy.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co., General Agents.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1912. [5]

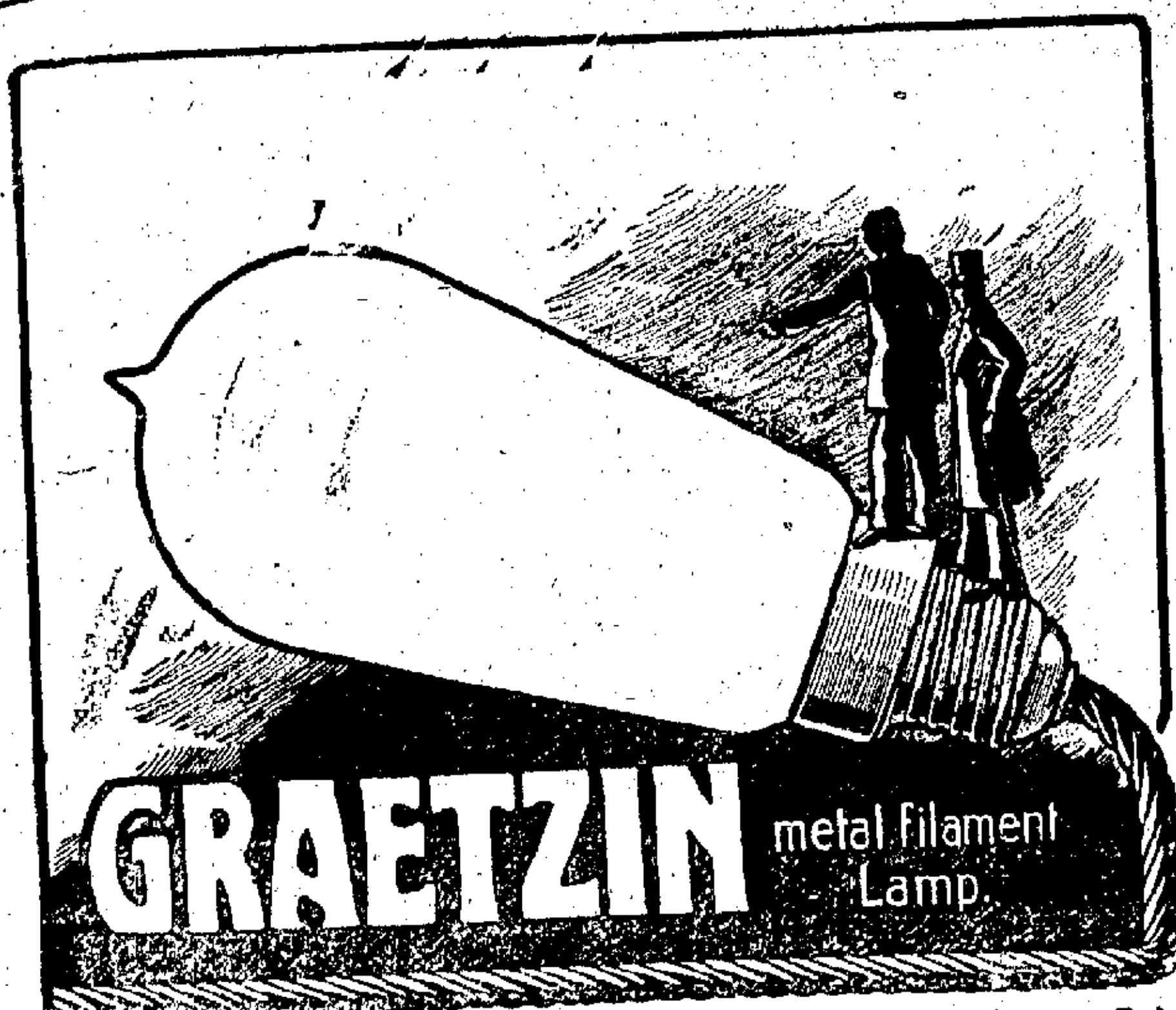
GLEN LINE (MCGREGOR, GOW & CO., LIMITED).

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Hongkong, 24th April, 1912. 571

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FOR SEATTLE,
NAGASAKI, INLAND SEA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA, ON MONDAY, the 5th May, at Noon.
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Hongkong, 26th April, 1912.

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Letters for this route should be superscribed via SIBERIA.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended: Hupeh, Hunan and Tientsin.

The *Ellice*, with the German Mail, left Singapore on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here to-day.

FOR	PER	DATE	TIME
Haiphong and Pakhoi	Mathilde	Wednesday, 1st	8.00 A.M.
Haiphong and Pakhoi	Sungkiang	Wednesday, 1st	8.00 A.M.
Straits and Ceylon	Nanur	Wednesday, 1st	9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Sosku Maru	Wednesday, 1st	9.00 A.M.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELPHI, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT and EUROPE via NARVES	Kleist	Wednesday, 1st	9.00 A.M.
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for this clearance will be included in this contract mail.)			
Swatow	Haiman	Wednesday, 1st	10.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Charruca	Wednesday, 1st	10.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Chidar	Wednesday, 1st	11.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Sui Tai	Wednesday, 1st	1.15 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Huan	Wednesday, 1st	3.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	Rubi	Wednesday, 1st	3.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, and JAPAN via NAGASAKI (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)	Bulow	Wednesday, 1st	5.00 P.M.
Hoikow, Haiphong and Pakhoi	Triumph	Thursday, 2nd	8.00 A.M.
Amoy and Formosa	Tymaki	Thursday, 2nd	11.00 A.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Thursday, 2nd	1.15 P.M.
Wellbaird, Chufoo and Tientsin	Kueichow	Thursday, 2nd	3.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Chuman	Thursday, 2nd	3.00 P.M.
Straits and Burmah	Muttra	Thursday, 2nd	5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Foochow	Haitan	Friday, 3rd	11.00 A.M.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya	Tyilagoo	Friday, 3rd	11.00 A.M.
Shanghai and North China	Waishang	Friday, 3rd	1.15 P.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Friday, 3rd	4.00 P.M.
Christmas Island	Lindaluen	Saturday, 4th	11.00 A.M.
Straits, and India via Calcutta	Hegany	Saturday, 4th	1.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	Guthrie	Saturday, 4th	3.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand	Choyang	Saturday, 4th	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Linan	Saturday, 4th	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)			
Shanghai and North China (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)	Bohemia	Saturday, 4th	5.00 P.M.
Swatow	Haiman	Sunday, 5th	6.00 P.M.
Japan via Nagasaki, and United States via Seattle	Minnesota	Monday, 6th	11.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Foochow	Haiyang	Tuesday, 7th	10.00 A.M.
Tientsin	Chipeking	Tuesday, 7th	10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN, HONOLULU, UNITED STATES, CANADA and SOUTH AMERICA via SAN FRANCISCO (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)	Chiyo Maru	Tuesday, 7th	11.00 A.M.

COMMERCIAL

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

April 30th.

ON LONDON—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	2/-
Credits, at 4 months sight	2/-
Documentary Bills at 4 months sight	2/-
ON PARIS—	
Bank Bills, on demand	250 1/2
Credits, at 4 months sight	255
ON GERMANY—	
On demand	203 1/2
ON NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, on demand	48 1/2
Credits, at 60 days sight	49 1/2
ON BOMBAY—	
Telegraphic Transfer	148
Bank, on demand	148 1/2
ON CALCUTTA—	
Telegraphic Transfer	148
Bank, on demand	148 1/2
ON SHANGHAI—	
Bank, at sight	72 1/2
Private, 30 days sight	73 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA—	
On demand	97 1/2
ON MANILA—	
On demand—Pesos	97 1/2
ON SINGAPORE—	
On demand	119 1/2
ON BATAVIA—	
On demand	119 1/2
ON HAIPHONG—	
On demand	119 1/2
ON SAIGON—	
On demand	70 1/2
ON HONGKONG—	
Bank's Buying Rate	\$10.05
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tola	\$52.50
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SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Chinese	20 cents piece	per cent
Chinese	10	\$7.37 discount
Hongkong	20	\$7.65
Hongkong	10	\$7.02
Hongkong	10	\$7.39

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

London	Due
Date	Shanghai
April 13th.	April 30th.

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS, HONGKONG, APRIL 30th, 1912.

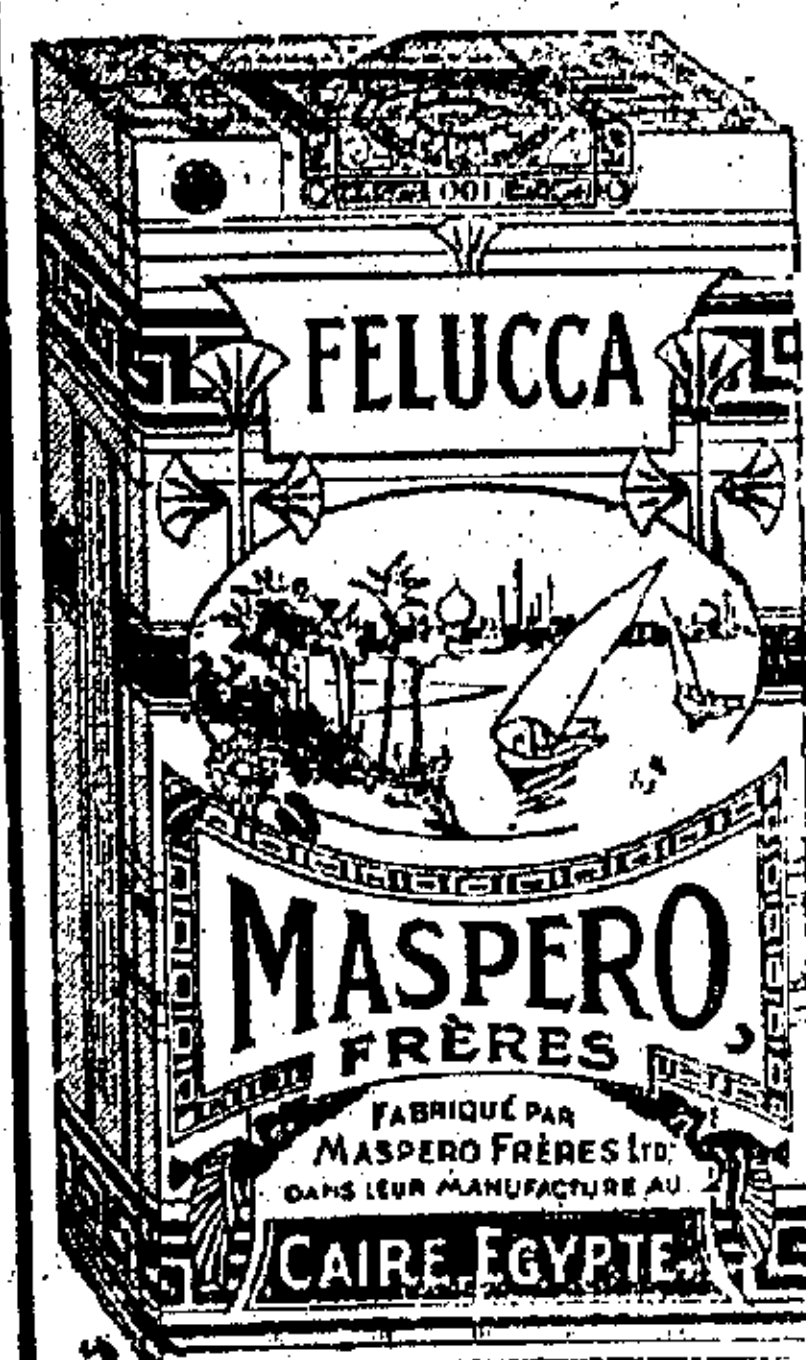
STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$845, sellers
China Bank Corporation, Limited	60,000	\$12	all	\$100, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$5	all	\$1.70, buyers
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	all	\$8, buyers
COTTON MILLS.				
Woo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 89
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	\$5
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	\$22
DOCK AND WHARVES.				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$57 1/2, sellers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$57 1/2, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$50	all	Tls. 54
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 85
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	all	\$4.90, sales
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	all	\$23 1/2, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$109, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	all	\$68
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited	15,000	Pa. 10	all	\$84
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	60,000	\$25	all	\$205
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$15
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$4, buyers
INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$210, buyers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$132
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$33.33	\$25	\$100
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$350
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 145
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$115, sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$210, Ex 75
LAND AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$107
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$7 1/2, sal. & by.
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	all	\$30
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	75,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 88
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	all	\$54
Maatschappij tot Mijn- en Bosch- en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat	25,000	Gda. 10	all	Tls. 7 1/2, buyers
MINING.				
Chinese Engineering and M. Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	\$1	all	38/-, sellers
Tromek Mines, Limited	160,000	\$1	all	75/6, buyers
Leewood Tin and Rubber Estate, Ltd.	715,280	2/-	all	5/6
Peak Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$4.70, sellers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$12 1/2
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	\$10	all	\$5, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$110, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$34
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	all	\$11 1/2, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$23, buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	all	\$27 1/2, sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$5	all	\$70 {L'don
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	60,000 def.	\$21	all	\$109 1/2, sellers
Star Ferry Company, Limited	250,000	\$10	all	\$32, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$20, buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	10,000	\$5	all	\$6, sellers
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$25
W. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	all	\$6 1/2, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$5
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	all	\$5 1/2, sellers
Weismann, Limited	3,000	\$10	all	\$15, buyers
Gaucho Price & Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$10	all	\$12, buyers
Societe des Pulpes et Papeteries du Tonkin	13,200	\$50	all	\$17 1/2
Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy.	\$10	all	\$300
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 shares	\$10	all	\$7 1/2

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VERNON & SYMTH, Share Brokers				

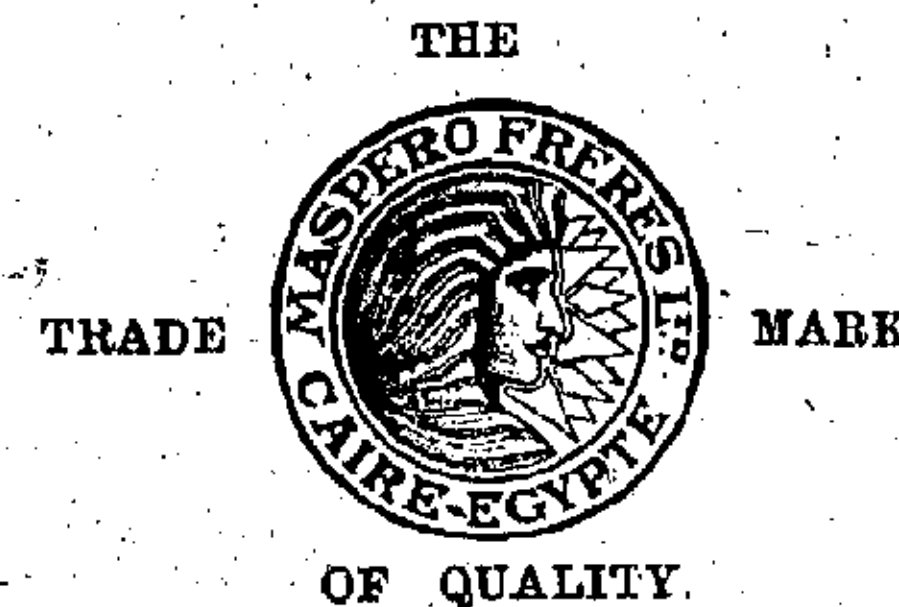
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